appeared in the Hindustan Times dated 11 February, 1997 under the caption "Drought drives them to mortgage children"; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA): (a) Yes, Sir. (b) The news report was enquired into by Bolangir District Admn., which revealed that in village Govindpur, P.S. Bangomunda in the district of Bolangir Tulsi Gohir died on 29.12.1996 leaving behind his widow Nura Gohir, one minor daughter and four minor sons. On receipt of information, Tahesildar, Kantabanjhi visited the family on 31.12.1996 and found that all the four children of the decreased Tulsi Gohir's family were with their mother in their own house except one minor son who had gone to his paternal aunt's house. This temporary absence was misrepresented as mortgage of child. Tahasildar, Kantabanjhi has recorded statement of child's mother, Nura Gohir to this effect. Further enquiry, by Cbllector-Bolangir revealed that allegation of mortgaging of child as bonded labour is false. The surviving membeN of the family of deceased Tulsi Gohir have been given assistance under anti-poverty programmes being executed in the area.

Proposal for National Policy for Aged People

1621. DR. B.B. DUTTA: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of aged/senior citizens in the country, State-wise and projection of their numerical strength for the next five years;

(b) the present central schemes being implemented for the welfare of senior citizens alongwith the criteria fixed for coverage and the . provisions made thereunder, scheme-wise;

(c) whether Government propose to formulate the national policy for aged people; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Implementation of the Scheme for Upgradation of Merit of SC and ST students in Gujarat

1622. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Gujarat have forwarded any proposal for implementing the scheme of upgradation of merit of SC and ST students in Gujarat for 1996-97 and 1997-98;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) funds released by Central Government to Gujarat for upgrading the merit of SC/ST students during the last three years, year-wise;

(d) whether schemes are being implemented properly and upto the desired levels; and

(e) if not, remedial measures proposed by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA): (a) to (c) No Sir. No proposal has been received from the State Government of Gujarat for the last three years.

(d) Question does not arise.

(e) Reminders are sent to all the State Governments asking for proposals every year.

Amendment in the List of OBCs

1623. SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have amended the list of OBCs of some States recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps Government propose to take to update the lists of OBCs in the entire country and by when this task is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The details are given in the enclosed statement *(see* below).

The Government has reconstituted the National Commission for Backward Classes recently. This Commission shall examine the requests for inclusion/ exclusion of castes/sub-casts/ communities in the Central list of Backward Classes for each State/UT on receipt of request/representation from individuals/associations/organisations for the same, as required under the National Commission for Backward Classes Act, 1993. No specific time limit can be fixed in this regard.

Statement

Change in the list of O.B.C in some states

MINISTRY OF WELFARE

RESOLUTION

New Delhi, the 6th December, 1996

No. 12011/44-96-BCC. — The Government of India,vide the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pension (Department of Personnel and Training) O.M. No. 36012/2293-Estt. (SCT), dated the 8th September, 1993, have reserved 27% of vacancies in civil posts and services under the Central Government, to be filled through direct recruitment, in favour of the other Backward Classes (OBCs). In this regard the common list in respect of 25 StatesLFTs have been notified vide Ministry of Welfare Resolutions No. 12011/6&93-BCC (C) dated the 10th September, 1993, No. 1201V9/94-BCC dated the 19th October, 1994 and No. 12011/7/95-BCC dated the 24th May, 1995 and No. 12011/9&94-BCC dated the 9th March, 1996.

2. The National Commission for Backward Classes was set up under the provision of the National Commission for Backward Classes Act, 1993 to entertain, examine and recommend upon the requests for inclusion and complaints of over-inclusion and under-inclusion in the Central list of Other Backward Classes.

3. The National Commission for backward Classes have now recommended names of castes' communities (including sub-caste^ synonyms) for inclusion/amendment in the Central Lists of OBCs in respect of the following States:—

1. Bihar
2. Goa
3. Gujarat
4. Haryana
5. Orissa
6. Uttar Pradesh
7. West Bengal

The Government have accepted the recommendations of the Commission and have decided to notify annexed inclusions/amendments in the Central Lists of OBCs in respect of aforesaid States.These inclusions'amendments shall take effect from the date of issue of this Resolution.

M.S. AHMAD, Jt. Secy.

Annexure

InclusioiVAmendment in the Central List of other Backward Classes (OBCs) in respect of following States:—

1. Bihar
2. Goa
3. Gujarat
4. Haryana
5. Orissa
6. Uttar Pradesh
7. West Bengal

State : BIHAR : Central List of OBCs

Name of Castes Communities (including sub-castes/synonyms) in the Central List of OBCs

S. No.	Old entry	New entry
1.	Nil	123. Dangi

State : GOA : Central List of OBCs

Name of Castes/Communities (including sub-castes/synonyms) in the Central list of OBCs

S. No.	Old entry		New entry
1.	Nil	4.	Dhobi, Rajak, Madval (including Christian Dhobies)
2.	Nil	5.	Nhavi, Nai, Nabhik, Napit, Mahalo.
3.	Nil	6.	Koli, Kharvi (including Christian Kharvi).
4.	Nil	7.	Nathjogi
5.	Nil	8	Gosavi

State : GUJARAT : Central List of OBCs

Name of Castes Communities (including sub-castes/synonyms) in the Central list of OBCs

S. No.	Old entry		New entry
1.	73. Valand, Nayi (Hindu) Hajam (Muslim)		Valand, Nayi (Hindu), Hajam (Muslim), Khalipha (Muslim), Babar (Hindu).
2.	Nil	73.	Pakhali.

State : HARYANA : Central List of OBCs

Name of Castes Communities (including sub-castes/synonyms) in the Central list of OBCs

S. No.	Old entry		New entry
1.	Nil	61.	Nat (other than those who are already included in the list of Scheduled Castes for Haryana).
2.	Nil	62.	Raigar (other than those who already included in the List of Scheduled Castes for Haryana).
3.	Nil	63.	Bhattu/Chattu.
4.	Nil	64.	Badi/Baddon.
5.	Nil	65.	Rahabari.

6.	26. Gawala, Gowala	26.	Gawala, Gowala, Ahir/Yadav.
7.	Nil	66.	Lodhi/Lodha.
8.	Nil	67.	Meo.
9.	Nil	68.	Gujjar.
10.	30. Jhangra-Brahman or Jangra Brahman or Jangid Brahman, Khati	30.	Jhangra-Brahman, Jangra-Brahman or Jangid Brahman, Khati, Ramgarhia.
11.	Nil	69.	Saini.

State : ORISSA : Central List of OBCs

Name of Castes-Communities (including sub-castes'synonyms) in the Central list of OBCs

S. No.	Old entry		New entry
1.	Nil	176.	SarakaSaraka Tanti.
2.	Nil	177.	Chasa (This entry of Chasa is meant to conform to No. 27 Chasa in Orissa State OBC List.).
3.	Nil	178.	Patara-Patra.
4.	43. Gola, Golla, Gope, Sadgope, Ahir, Gour, Gouda, Goudo, Mekala, Golla Punnu Golla, yadav	43.	Gola, Golla, Gope, Sadgope, Ahir, Gour, Gouda, Goudo, Mekala Golla, Punnu, Golla, "Yadav, Laxminarayan Gola and Goudia Gola.
5.	Nil	179.	Kurmi, Kurma Chasa, Kudumi, Kuduma, Kur Kurmi Mahto, Kurmi Khetriya, Kurumi, Kudo Kshyatriya.

State : **UTTAR PRADESH** : **Central List of OBCs**

Name of Castes/Communities (including sub-castes'synonyms) in the Central list of OBCs

S. No.	Old entry		New entry
1.	17. Chikwa (Kassab)	17.	Chikwa, Qassab, Chak.
2.	37. Bhurji or Bharbhuja, Bharthunuja	37.	Bhurji, Bharbhuja, Bharbhunja, Bhooj, Kandu.
3.	47. Rangaz	47.	Rangrcz, Rangwa.
4.	53. Hajjam (Nai)	53.	Hajjam (Nai), Salmani, Nai.

State : WEST BENGAL : Central List of OBCs

Name of CastesCommunities (including sub-castes/synonyms) in the Central list of OBCs

S. No.	Old entry		New entry
1.	Nil	15.	Nagar (This does not include immigrant Maithili Brahmins and immigrant Nagars from other States who are Brahmins and Baniyas).
2.	Nil	16.	Karani.
3.	Nil	17.	Raju.
4.	Nil	18.	Keori/Koiri.
5.	Nil	19.	Sarak.
6.	Nil	20.	Kosta/Kostha.

अनुसूचित जाति/अनुसूचित जनजाति कोचिंग केन्द्र के बिल कल्याण मंत्रालय में लंबित

1624. **श्री मूलचन्द मीणा** : क्या कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेगे कि:

(क) क्या कल्याण मंत्रालय द्वारा अनुसूचित जाति/अनुसूचित जनजाति के छात्रों को सिविल सेवा परीक्षा में बैठने से पूर्व निःशुल्क कोचिंग दी जाती है,

(ख) यदि हां, तो इन कोचिंग केन्द्रों का ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ग) क्या पिछले पांच वर्षो से अनुसूचित जाति/अनुसूचित जनजाति कोचिंग केन्द्र के बिलों का भुगतान मंत्रालय में लम्बित हैं;

(घ) यदि हां, तो उनका केन्द्र -वार ब्यौरा क्या है,

(ड) क्या अनुसूचित जाति/अनुसूचित जनजाति के कोंचिंग के लिए आवंटित धन का स्वरूप बदलकर किसी अन्य प्रकार के संस्थानों को दिया जा रहा है और

(च) यदि हां तो इसके क्या कारण हैं?

कल्याण मंत्री (श्री बलवन्त सिंह रामूवालिया) : (क) और (ख) जी, हां । अनुसूचित जाति/अनुसूचित जनजाति के लिए कोचिंग और सम्बद्ध योजन के अंतर्गत अनुसूचित जाति/अनुसूचित जनजाति के छात्रों को निःशुल्क कोचिंग दी जाती है। ब्यौरे विवरण पर दिए गए हैं । (नीचे देखिए)

(ग) और (घ) जी, नहीं । कोई बिल, जिनका भुगतान किया जाना शेष है, लिम्बत नहीं है ।

(ड़) जी नहीं ।

(च) प्रश्न नहीं उठाता ।

विवरण

राज्य/विश्वविद्यालय/निजी संस्था का नाम	पी0ई0टी0 सी0 की संख्या
1. आन्ध्र प्रदेश	3
2. असम	1
3. बिहार	3
4. दिल्ली	1